

## NEWSLETTER – October 2023

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### ÉCOLE CARDINAL LEGER SCHOOL

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**"God wanted not only words from me, but actions"**

~Cardinal Leger

*Gospel Virtue of the month.....Love and Respect*

#### NOTES FROM ADMIN

Dear Families of Ecole Cardinal Leger School Community,

I hope this letter finds you well as we embark on this new academic year together. On behalf of the entire staff at Ecole Cardinal Leger School, I want to express how honored and privileged we are to be walking alongside you and your children in this educational journey.

As partners in your child's education, we believe that open and effective communication is vital. We encourage you to maintain regular communication with your child's classroom teacher throughout the year. Sharing both areas of strength and areas needing improvement helps us create a supportive and tailored learning experience for each student. By working together, we can ensure the best possible outcomes for your child's academic and personal growth.

I would also like to extend our deepest gratitude to all the families who were able to attend our recent Welcome Back BBQ. The turnout was fantastic, and it was heartwarming to see the strong sense of community within our school. We are immensely grateful to our Catholic School Community Council for their tireless efforts in organizing and working at the event. Their dedication and commitment to fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment for all families are truly commendable.

In closing, I want to emphasize the importance of family engagement, open communication, and collaboration within our school community. We firmly believe that when families, staff, and students work together, we create a nurturing and enriching educational experience. Together, we can provide our children with the support and guidance they need to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

We are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead this academic year and look forward to partnering with you in your child's educational journey. Should you have any questions, concerns, or ideas, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Your input and involvement are invaluable to us.

Thank you once again for your continued trust and support. Let us embrace this year with enthusiasm, collaboration, and a shared commitment to the success of our students.

Mme Degagné-Ellis & M. St.Amand

## IMPORTANT DATES

### SEPTEMBER:

Tuesday, September 26: Orange Shirt Day

Wednesday, September 27: Picture Day for the following classes:

- Kindergarten English
- Kindergarten French (Mon/Wed students)
- Grade 1 French
- Grade 1/2 English
- Grade 2 French
- Grade 3 French
- Grade 7/8 English
- Grade 7/8 French

Thursday, September 28: Picture Day for the following classes:

- Kindergarten French (Tue/Thur students)
- Grade 3/4 English
- Grade 4/5 English
- Grade 5/6 French
- Grade 6/7 English
- Grade 6/7 French

Thursday, September 28: Healthy Hunger Hot Lunch

**Friday, September 29: no school**

### OCTOBER:

**Friday, October 6: Professional Learning Day - no school**

**Monday, October 9: Thanksgiving Day – no school**

Friday, October 20: Bake Sale

Friday, October 27: Healthy Hunger Hot Lunch (online orders/payments due Oct 22)

### NOVEMBER:

Thursday, November 2: Photo retakes

Wednesday, November 8: 3:45 pm – 7:00 Three Way Conferences

**Thursday, November 9: Three Way Conferences – no school**

**Friday, November 10: Professional Learning Day – no school**

**Monday, November 13: Stat Holiday – no school**

Friday, November 17: Bake Sale

Friday, November 24: Healthy Hunger Hot Lunch (online orders/payments due Nov 19)

### Classroom Field Trips and Activities:

Wednesday, October 4: Grade 6 Band Clinic at Holy Cross School

Tuesday, November 21: Grade 6 Immunizations

## Notes from Admin

### SCHOOL ARRIVAL

Parents are reminded that students should not arrive to school before 8:45 a.m. Students needing before and after school care can contact our Explorer program director Shelley Bettker at 306-227-4325.

### STUDENT /VERIFICATION INFORMATION PACKAGE

An information package with student verification forms had been sent home with students earlier this month. Please assist us in keeping our records current by verifying that the data shown is correct. If you haven't already, please sign and return these forms as soon as possible. Student information is important to us and to your child particularly in case of emergency. Thank you!

### PARKING

Please watch the **PARKING** signs directly in front of the school. This is a **Drop Off and Pickup Zone** only. The driver must remain in the vehicle while dropping off or picking up your children from school. **We ask that parents and guardians do not use the staff parking lot as a parking zone or to turn around while picking your children up after school. We do need to keep in mind the safety of our children. Also please be reminded to not stop on our crosswalk in front of the school as well as be aware of the driveways that need to stay clear for our neighbours!** Police/commissionaires will be monitoring

traffic and will issue tickets for traffic and parking violations. PLEASE ENSURE YOU DO NOT PARK IN THE BUSSING ZONES – thank you!

### **2023-24 STAFF :**

Principal – Claudette Degagne-Ellis  
Vice Principal – Murray St. Amand  
Kindergarten French – Katherine Sinclair  
Kindergarten English – Chelsea Brule  
Grade 1/2 English— Kayla Koenning  
Grade 1 French – Karlie Wrubleski  
Grade 2 French - Tanys Gareau  
Grade 3/4 English – Jocelyn Serke  
Grade 3 French – Dana Jordan  
Grade 4/5 French – Lisa Kun & Teagan Kirzinger  
Grade 4/5 English – Joe Hitchings  
Grade 5/6 French – Erin McQuaid  
Grade 6/7 English – Shaelynn Thiessen  
Grade 6/7 French – Francois Crepault  
Grade 7/8 English – Stephanie Draeger  
Grade 7/8 French – Andre Lalonde  
English LAT – Lisa Skorski  
English LAT – Luba Lalach  
French LAT – Sheri Simonot  
English LAT/Release Teacher- Taygan Van De Woestyne  
English/French Release – Murray St. Amand  
English/French Release – Dan Gallays  
English Release Teacher: Brandon Jean  
Band – Chantelle Berg  
EAL – Sandra Ehr  
School Counsellor – Christine Krowchenko  
SLP—Howard Todres  
**Educational Assistants**  
Raquel Covenden  
Solange Diaz  
Diane Halyk  
Eva Munson  
Aaliyah Shafi  
Chinelo Ojo  
Mariella Amada  
Caretaking Staff – Eugenio Mercado, Marcelo Coronacion  
Office Coordinator – Colette Chantler

### **NEWSLETTER**

The Newsletter is published every month and will be posted on Edsby. Please ensure you have submitted to the school a current Email address. You can also access our current newsletter on our website <https://www.gscs.ca/leg/page/664/school-news> Extra copies are available at the office.

### **FACEBOOK**

Cardinal Leger has a Facebook page. We are excited to share with families information and events that happen at our school! Hit the link and like us! <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100085378246087>

### **MySchoolBucks**

If you do not already have an account, you may create one at [myschoolbucks.ca](https://myschoolbucks.ca) . Once the account has been created, it will require you to add your district which is Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools. At that point you will then be able to attach you student to your account. You may want to download the app via your Google Play Store or Apple Store.

### **EDSBY**

A reminder to all families, that EDSBY is our sole method of communication for reporting absences, conference bookings, teacher communication, progress reporting and school news and updates. See School Website at [www.gscs.ca/leg](https://www.gscs.ca/leg) for further instructions and support if required.

Student absences are required to be reported by parents, preferably using Edsby, otherwise by phone 306-659-7190. Students are not permitted to report their own absences.

### **ALLERGY/MEDICAL FORMS**

A variety of emergency situations may include administration of emergency medical assistance or medication. Prior to administering medication (prescription or non-prescription), **a letter from the child's parent/guardian and a letter from the physician is required specifying details regarding the medication and instructions to staff to properly administer the medication/emergency medical treatment.** Forms must be updated each year. Please contact the school for a copy of the Parent and Physician Request for Medication Form.

Students who have already been identified as needing emergency medical intervention (i.e. - epi-pen) will be given forms to be filled out by their physicians and by their parents/guardians. Parents of students, who have such medical needs not known to the school, please contact Mrs. Chantler, in order to obtain the necessary forms.

### **NUT ALERT**

Please be reminded we are a school that is NUT ALERT. We are asking families to not send foods with nuts (i.e. peanut butter/Nutella/some granola bars etc.). Thanks for helping keep all of our students safe!

### **HEALTHY HUNGER**

1. Go to [www.HealthyHunger.ca](http://www.HealthyHunger.ca); if you already have an account you can continue to use it. If you do not have an account, go to step 2.
2. Click "REGISTER YOUR STUDENT"
3. Create your student account
4. After your account is created, you will be able to view all up-coming Fun Lunches.
5. Place orders
6. Then pay for your orders Online with Visa, or MasterCard

#### **Lunch dates for 2023-24:**

Thursday September 28, 2023 (Dominos Pizza/Booster Juice) Order deadline was Sept 23  
Friday, October 27, 2023 (Subway)  
Friday, November 24, 2023 (Pita Pit)  
Thursday, December 21, 2023 (Taco Time)  
Friday, January 26, 2024 (Dominos Pizza/Booster Juice)  
Thursday, February 15, 2024 (Smoke's Poutinerie)  
Friday, March 22, 2024 (Subway)  
Friday, April 26, 2024 (Pita Pit)  
Friday, May 24, 2024 (Taco Time)  
Thursday, June 20, 2024 (Dairy Queen)

Bake Sale Dates (Fridays): Items sold at .50 to \$2.00

October 20  
November 17  
December 15  
January 19  
February 9  
March 15  
April 19  
May 17  
June 14

### **Lost & Found:**

The Lost & Found boxes are brimming over with good quality items anxiously waiting to be reunited with the owners! Please drop by and take a peek at your convenience.

## **ÉCOLE CARDINAL LEGER SCHOOL NEWS**

### **Schools Win Twice Fundraiser:**

Watch for upcoming information on the annual Schools Win Twice Fundraiser.

### **Beginner Band Clinic:**

On Wednesday, October 4th, our students will be bussed to Holy Cross High School to participate in the GSCS beginner band clinic. Everyone will be back at school for our regular dismissal time. We will join students from all over GSCS and team up into groups by instrument. Then, our clinicians, who specialize in that instrument, will deliver expert instruction. This is an excellent opportunity to learn the basics of their instruments, including setup, care and cleaning, the first few notes and some tips and tricks. Attending the clinic will boost our band so we can have a great year. Students will eat their lunch at

school but are encouraged to bring a water bottle. The bus will leave our school at 11:50 and return at 2:30. Please sign the permission form on Edsby by September 28th, 2023. Thanks, Pani Chantelle cmberg@gscs.ca

## CSCC NEWS

The Cardinal Leger Catholic School Community Council (CSCC) is mandated by the Greater Saskatoon Catholic School Board and works closely with the Cardinal Leger staff to support them in many ways. Under the direction of our Principal, the CSCC supports the Learning Improvement Plan, and any ongoing plans for student success within our school.

Our primary goal is to encourage parent/guardian involvement within our school and to be your link to school news and events. There are many opportunities to help ranging from very brief, one-time commitments to larger scale coordination of events. Your support is critical for our school to attain academic success and have fun!

This year's Council members are as follows:

Jamie Serviss – returning Co-Chair  
Val Poirier – returning Co-Chair  
Laura Jardine – returning Treasurer  
Kerry Williams – returning Member at Large  
Michele Corriveau – returning Member at Large  
Natalie Reimer – returning Member at Large  
Danielle Favreau – returning Member at Large  
Corinne Harms – returning Member at Large  
Tania Hawat – returning member at Large

School Liaison Trustees: Ron Boechler/Dana Case

Thank you for attending the Welcome Back BBQ and Meet the Staff Night on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

**FUNDRAISING** - all fundraising dollars go to support your child's learning and activities! Please watch for upcoming fundraising events this year. Our first schoolwide CSCC fundraiser will be the selling of coupon books.

The CSCC meeting dates are as follow (Mondays, 6:30 pm in the school library):

- Oct 2
- Nov 6
- Dec 4
- Feb 5
- Mar 4
- May 6
- June 3: AGM



**"Come Spend Time with Family"**

Sunday Mass Times

9:00 am, 11:30 am & 6:30 pm

[www.holyfamilycathedral.ca](http://www.holyfamilycathedral.ca)

See <https://f2f.ca/upcomingevents/> for upcoming Catholic youth events with FaceToFace Ministries.